



Rocky Ripple Community Association E-News

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RRCA CALENDAR

Sat., June 5th
**Annual Neighborhood
Garage Sale**
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Everyone is invited to
participate. *See article
for details.*

Tues., June 8th
**Rocky Ripple Town
Board Meeting**
7:30 pm Town Hall

Tues., June 15th
**Rocky Ripple Community
Association Meeting**
7:30 pm Town Hall

Tues., July 13th
**Rocky Ripple Town
Board Meeting**
7:30 pm Town Hall

Tues., July 20th
**Rocky Ripple Community
Association Meeting**
7:30 pm Town Hall

Tues. Aug. 31st
**Deadline for Artist
Booth Registration for
Rocky Ripple Festival**
Visit the Rocky Ripple
Festival website for the
artist booth application.
Register by Aug. 31st to
receive \$40 booth pricing;
booths are \$50 on an as
available basis after this
date.

Sat., Sept. 25th
Rocky Ripple Festival
11:00 am – 6:00 pm
Hohlt Park. See article for
details.



Neighborhood Garage Sale This Sat. - June 5th

This year's town wide garage sale will be held Saturday, June 5th from 9 am to 3 pm. Everyone is welcome to participate. Start planning for the sale and gather those items that have been sitting around and collecting dust. If you don't participate by selling, by all means, get out and visit with the

neighbors having sales. You never know what treasures they may be selling that you might need.

Ads will be placed in local newspapers. If you participate, consider making a small donation to the community association to cover the advertising costs. Contact any RRCA officer to do so.

Rocky Ripple Veterans Association Pays Homage to Those That Served



Ceremony head Danny Orr (center) is shown with Navy alumni Dave Householder (right) and Navy Reservist Jarret Souders (left) at Monday's memorial to Rocky Ripple veterans.

The Rocky Ripple Veterans Association held a memorial in remembrance of Rocky Ripple veterans that proudly served our country on Memorial Day in Peace Park, located at the corner of Byram and 53rd Streets. Resident and veteran Danny Orr coordinated the event and led the ceremonies. A highlight of the tribute was when the Butler University bells sounded Taps after the names of resident veterans that are no longer with us were called.

If you did not participate in the memorial ceremony, stop by and view the beautiful red, white and blue flowers that are currently blooming at the Veterans memorial and look at the bricks laid in honor of local veterans. The memorial and Peace Park are maintained by the community's Veterans Association and we salute each veteran that has a hand in this!

TOWN ACTIVITY OPPORTUNITIES

Move Mulch at Fountain Park Saturday

Residents are invited to move mulch and create trails in **Fountain Park Saturday June 5 from 2 to 4 p.m.** So far, Butler staff, alums, and faculty have removed invasive weeds (a previous work day had been rained out). Rocky Ripple's own [Simple Man's Tree Service](#) donated time and labor to chip the honeysuckle that J.F. New and Associates cut down.

Turtle Time with Travis

Everyone is welcome for an afternoon turtle adventure. Travis Ryan, associate professor of Biological Sciences at Butler University, will share some information about local turtles. Following the presentation, everyone will head out to the White River and Central Canal to go turtle hunting. Common local species include, red-eared sliders, map turtles, and soft shell turtles.

Meet at the Town Hall Saturday June 19 at 3 p.m. The program ends at 5 p.m. [Download the Turtle-Time flyer](#)



Town residents placed lit candles at the Rocky Ripple Veterans Memorial during Monday's ceremony for Rocky Ripple veterans.

Rocky Ripple Community Association Board Election Results

The Rocky Ripple Community Association (RRCA) annual elections were held at the Community Association meeting on Tuesday, May 18th. RRCA terms of office for the association's board of directors are staggered three year terms. Offices elected were secretary and treasurer. Re-elected were Diane Householder as secretary and Mandy Redmond as treasurer.

Any member of the community can run for RRCA office. However, to vote for RRCA board member candidates, you must be a member of the community association. To be a member, you must have attended at least one community association meeting during the past year.

To obtain a copy of the Rocky Ripple Community Association Bylaws, contact secretary, Diane Householder, at 254-1454.

Don't forget...RRCA is not the same as the Town Council

The community association should not be confused with the Rocky Ripple Town Council, which is comprised of Rocky Ripple's elected representatives. The Rocky Ripple Community Association's is a separate organization whose mission is to provide social, cultural, recreational, and educational services to the Town of Rocky Ripple and its residents, and in so doing strengthen the bonds of civic unity and provide for the common welfare of all residents.

The RRCA has been in existence since November 12, 1948 when the Ladies Auxiliary of the Rocky Ripple Volunteer Fire Department was formed. Through the next four decades, the Ladies Auxiliary raised money to fund the volunteer fire department as well as provide social events for the residents of Rocky Ripple.

With the dissolution of the Volunteer Fire Department in 1989, the Ladies Auxiliary adopted new bylaws on February 6, 1990 and renamed the organization the Rocky Ripple Community Association. In March of 1998, the Community Association incorporated and became a Not For Profit organization in order to apply for grants, increase revenues and thus be able to provide additional support to our community.

2010 Rocky Ripple Festival Updates



Planning and other activities for the 2010 Rocky Ripple Festival, which will be held on Saturday, September 25, 2010 from 11 am to 6 pm in Hohlt Park, continue. This will be the festival's 11th year.

Per Festival Chair Dhyana Raynor, the [Pedal & Park organization](#) is onboard to provide 40 feet of bike racks. They will also post our bike friendly event on their [website](#) and on their flyers.

Children's area coordinator Kate Bullis is planning to include a playground supervisor, kid's relay race and 3-legged race, Mad Science booth, bounce tent, and face painting for this year's festival.

Artist coordinator Megan Wright reports that 16 artists have paid for booth space as of May 18th.

Visit www.rockyripple.org/festival for the latest information, artists exhibiting and musicians playing. Open 2010 festival committee positions remaining include the following:

- Endowment/Fundraising: open
- Raffle: open
- Set-up Coordinator: open
- Tear-down Coordinator: open

To volunteer for the open committee head positions, or to volunteer in any capacity for the 2010 Rocky Ripple festival, contact one the following individuals:

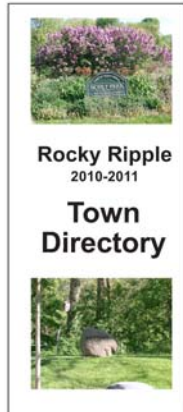
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Megan Wright	mwright2@indy.rr.com	259-4352
Karen Stone	kstonerrca@yahoo.com	252-5786

Visit the community association website for a description of the position duties at: www.rockyripple.org.

2009 Rocky Ripple Festival Results

With money raised at the 2009 Rocky Ripple Festival, we deposited \$5000 into the Rocky Ripple Parks Endowment fund. The fund, which is managed by the Central Indiana Community Foundation, now has close to \$40,000. Funds are used to maintain parks and green spaces within Rocky Ripple. Tax-deductible donations to the Endowment fund can be made through the Rocky Ripple Community Association. Contact Treasurer Mandy Redmond at 259-7512 for additional information.

[Click here](#) to view 2009 festival pictures, courtesy of local photographer Joshua Lebherz.



Rocky Ripple Directory Distributed in May to All Neighborhood Households

You should have received your copy of the 2010/2011 Rocky Ripple Town Directory in early May. If you did not receive a copy, please email the directory editor at rcommassoc@aol.com to receive a copy.

The directory is produced by the Rocky Ripple Community Association as a benefit for residents of Rocky Ripple. Participation in being listed in the directory is voluntary and the Rocky Ripple Community Association does not use the information/addresses provided for anything other than publication in the directory. It is only available in hard copy.

The directory is paid for through the advertisers that have generously paid to be included. Please show your appreciation for the advertisers by giving them your business - and while doing so, mention that you saw their ad in the Rocky Ripple Directory.

The RRCA is recruiting advertisers for next year's directory. If you have a business and want to be included, or know of a business that should be included, please visit the Rocky Ripple Community Association website for additional information: www.rockyripple.org



2010 VOLLEYBALL! – Volleyball Players, join us in Hohlt Park for lively pick-up games of volleyball, Thursdays at 6 pm for kids and adults; Sundays at 2:30 pm for adults only, weather permitting.

Rocky Ripple Community Garden

Join the Green Thumbs of Rocky Ripple by having your own plot in the Rocky Ripple Community Garden. Anyone can join the garden at anytime during the season. Plots are available for a small donation, first come-first served. Contact Vandra Linder at linderdesign@sprintmail.com or Nancy Barton at sandertales@aol.com if you are interested. Check out the group at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/RockyRippleGarden>

Parks/Gardening Volunteer Opportunity

The Community Association needs for someone to adopt what is affectionately called "Sandy Mound" in Hohlt Park. This is the mound of beautiful flowers at the 53rd street entrance to the park. For the past five years or so, the mound had been weeded and maintained by Marilyn Hunter and Becky Stoops, who are currently no longer able to perform this activity. To take on this assignment for our town, please contact any officer of the community association listed below. Our hats off to Marilyn and Becky, who have done an outstanding job in beautifying this for us in past years!

Rocky Ripple Community Association

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RRCA Newsletter:

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Editor: Mandy Redmond

DON'T FORGET. We've gone GREEN! Saving paper. Saving \$\$.

Beginning with the January 2010 issue of the Rocky Ripple Community Association (RRCA) newsletter, we are distributing information electronically. This contributes toward doing our part for the environment, as well as saves costs. Printing of the newsletters for Rocky Ripple households costs approximately \$50 per issue. This is money that the RRCA can use for other community initiatives and events.

If you know of someone that wants to be added, please have them send an email to rcommassoc@aol.com and request being added to the RRCA E-News distribution list.

We promise not to use your email addresses for purposes other than communicating information regarding our community and will not share the email distribution list with others. We will also post a hard copy of each issue at the town hall bulletin board for those that do not have access to email and/or the web.

Let us know what you think of the new format and any suggestions you may have for things you would like to have included. Contact the RRCA newsletter editor at rcommassoc@aol.com.

If you wish to make a correction or change to your directory listing, or if you are not yet listed in the directory and want to be, please email the directory editor at rcommassoc@aol.com.



Recycling Reminder

Don't forget to recycle your newspapers, magazines and other paper at the Abitibi newspaper recycling bin located next to the Town Hall garage. Proceeds from the recycling effort go to offset the cost of the Port-o-Let in Hohlt Park. The more paper we recycle in the bin, the more money that goes to this effort.

[Click here](#) to find out more about the program and what types of paper can be placed in the container.